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MPLS NETWORK FAILURES

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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, that the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), Applicant makes no representation that these documents qualify as prior art or that these documents are material to patentability of the present application or that a search has been made.

REMARKS

Applicant submits this Information Disclosure Statement and the attached Form PTO 1449 in support of the accompanying Request for Continued Examination being submitted jointly herewith.

The attached documents S-O as submitted include an original version of a draft document and subsequent versions having sequential updates from the original version. For convenience of the Examiner, the submitted documents each show the differences between one version and a next version of the draft document for each sequential update.

The attached document N is a later version of a March 2000 document that is not readily available.

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CONCLUSION

Early and favorable consideration of the documents cited herein is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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